

Not Pity, but Pity.

The following bit of humor is taken from "The Farringtons," an English romance. The speakers are Mrs. Bateson and Mrs. Hanksy, worthy wives, but not altogether above feeling a certain pleasure in showing up the ways of husbands.

"They've no sense, men haven't," said Mrs. Hanksy, "that's what's the matter with them."

"You never spoke a truer word, Mrs. Hanksy," replied Mrs. Bateson. "The very best of them don't properly know the difference between their souls and their stomachs, and they fancy they are wrestling with their doubts when really it is their dinners that are wrestling with them."

"Now, take Bateson himself," continued Mrs. Bateson. "A kinder husband or better Christian never drew breath, yet so sure as he touches a bit of pork he begins to worry himself about the salvation of his soul till there's no living with him. And then he'll sit in the front parlor and engage in prayer for hours at a time till I say to him:

"Bateson," says I, "I'd be ashamed to go troubling the Lord with a prayer when a pinch of carbonate of soda would set things straight again!"

Dying Real Flowers.

"Every once in awhile some forlorn girl goes by and puts some odd colored blossoms in his window as an extra attraction to the display," said a clubman. "I just noticed one down the street. It consisted of a bunch of impossible green carnations. At first glance a good many people thought they were made of paper, but they got interested when they found out that they were 'natural.' Now, anybody who wants to have any of these freak flowers can get them by buying some kind of antique ink, any color desired. Carnations are the easiest to color—white ones of course. Put their stems in glass filled with ink. Their stems are soft, and in a short while the larger veins in their petals are filled with the ink. Don't let them absorb too much color. They are prettier with just so much. Then remove them and put them in a vase of salt water. Ladies of the valley lend themselves to this scheme also. In fact, any white, soft stemmed flower may be used."—Philadelphia Record.

Famous Golf Match.

A projected golf match between two well known amateurs and a leading member of the London stock exchange for a stake of £500 recalls the famous encounter in which the Duke of York, afterward James II., took a prominent part on the Leith Links in the year 1652. It was really an international contest, in which the duke, with John Paterson, a golfing shoemaker of great repute, championed Scotland against two noblemen of England, a heavy wager depending on the issue. The duke and the cobbler had an easy victory, thanks largely to the man of the last, and John Paterson's share of the stakes was so substantial that he was able to build a goodly house in the Ouseburne, in a wall of which the duke carved a stone to be placed bearing the Paterson arms with the motto "War and sure," a tribute to the cobbler's driving powers. Paterson's house, we understand, survives today.

Felled.

Notably, but with all his might, the burglar tugged at the dressing table drawer. In vain. It refused to open. He tugged again.

"Give it another jerk," said a voice behind him.

The burglar turned.

The owner of the house was sitting in bed and looking at him with an expression of the deepest interest on his face.

"Jerk it again. There's a lot of valuable property in that drawer, but we haven't been able to open it since the damp weather began. If you can pull it out I'll give you a handsome royalty on everything that's in it."

But the burglar had jumped out through the window, taking a part of the cash with him.—Exchange.

Tat For Tit.

They were sitting out in the conservatory. Sam sat on the sofa, and Sally sat on Sam, but it was all right, for he had just asked her to marry him. He said, "I don't care if I do," and thus they were engaged.

"Now, look here, Sally," he interrupted. "Don't ask me if you're the only girl I ever loved. You know as well as I do."

"Oh, that wasn't the question at all, Sam," she answered. "I was going to ask if I was the only girl who would have you."—London Answers.

Difficult Advice.

Mrs. Rayce was talking to another young woman at a tea.

"How decidedly better off a man would be," said the other young woman, "if he would only take his wife's advice!"

"Quite true, my dear," said Mrs. Rayce. "I've advised my George time and time again not to bet on horses that don't win, but he will do it."

Why He Quit.

"So you abandoned the simple style of spelling?"

"Yes," responded the former advocate of the fad. "I found it so difficult to make people understand that I knew better."—Philadelphia Ledger.

As Good as He Gave.

"Here is my seat, madam, but cannot compel me to say that I think you are as well able to stand as I am."

"Politeness compels me to say 'Thank you, sir.'"—New York Journal.

Got Even.

"I'll never offer to be a sister to another man."

"Why not?"

"The last one under the guise of brotherly advice told me some very unpalatable truths."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Diplomat.

"Does he always speak the truth?"

"I guess not. All his friends praise his judgment."—Detroit Free Press.

He who swears distrusts his own words.—Latin Proverb.

Three New Hats.

Milliners have other troubles besides the frequent difficulty of collecting bills. One milliner tells of a letter she received from the wife of a man who in a brief time had advanced from poverty to great wealth. His family was still in obscurity, but was preparing to emerge.

"I want you should make a bonnet and two hats right off," wrote the wife, "for me and the girls, and expense is no account."

"My measure is nearly twelve inches from ear to ear over the head and eight under chin and six from top of forehead to back hair, and that's near enough for both the girls."

"I'm sandy, Jane is dark, and Lucy's got red hair. We want lively colors, and I want blue flowers and strings on mine, besides some pinks."

"Jane wants hers green, and Lucy wants pink. We don't care what shapes, but they must be becoming and so as they won't blow to pieces in the wind. Nor we don't want them loud, for my husband won't hear to such."

"Please send within five days, and if satisfactory bill will be paid at once."

—Youthful's Companion.

Curly Hair Means Obstinacy.

The curly headed man uttered an exclamation of mase.

"Strange," he said, "I have been drawn for juries time and again, but I have never served. They always challenge me. I wonder why?"

"It is your curly hair," said a juror. "A curly headed man kills a jury."

"That is not true. You must be crazy," said the other.

"That is the gospel truth," the lawyer persisted. "Curly heads are as obstinate as mules. They think they know it all. They disagree with everybody."

"It is because," he hastened to add, "their curly hair makes them so good looking. In childhood they are spoiled by their parents, and in maturity women spoil them, falling in love with them on every side. So they become conceited. They disagree with everybody. Lawyers the world over recognize that as jurymen they would never do."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Had an Answer.

This story is being told on a Swede in central Kansas who was given to excessive use of the bottle. He was working at a certain house, doing odd jobs, and the daughter of the house knew of his reprehensible habits. She thought it time for some one to remonstrate with him on the error of his ways.

"Why," she asked, "are you not ashamed to spend all your wages and make your wife take in washing? Why don't you give her some money?"

"Well," he answered, "I have an income besides my wages."

"Oh, is that so?" said the daughter, somewhat mollified.

"Yes," he said, "I have an income from the queen of Sweden."

"What for?" asked the girl.

"For minding my own business," answered the Swede, going on with his work.—Kansas City Journal.

The Troubles of a French Academician.

The candidate, once elected, is bound to pronounce his name before he is allowed to take part in the work of the noble body. The director who has pens to be in office answers him. This oration is invariably, or at least should be, composed first of thanks, more or less humble, for the great honor conferred, then of a panegyric of the happy one's predecessor. And, oh, how difficult that sometimes must be! More than one has rushed to the encyclopedia, then to the libraries, so as to get some clear notion of the illustrious immortal! Then fate is often ironic. A historian may have to celebrate the talent of a writer of light comedies, a legitimist may have to praise a Socialist, or else the newly elected member may have to speak of his most intimate enemy.—Jeanne Malet in Atlantic.

Ancient Derivicks.

Probably the oldest derivicks still in use are the two built at Trier, in Germany, in the year 1413 and the one built in 1554 at Andernach, also in Germany. All these three celebrate the talent on the same principle. In the middle of a massive A frame tower is located the swinging or main boom, 20 by 20 inches, whose iron pivot moves in a pan shaped bearing cup. On top are fastened the guy ropes and the cap, which is also movable. The derivick can be moved by crossbars fastened to the main boom. The load is chain lifted by tread wheels sixteen feet in diameter.

Wagner to the Musicians.

Wagner's little letter to the musicians was most characteristic and worthy to be noted by many an orchestra of this day. "Gentlemen," he said, "I beg of you not to take my fortissimo too seriously. Where you see 'ff' make an 'fp' of it, and for piano play pianissimo. Remember how many of you there are down there against the one poor single human throat up here alone on the stage."—Neumann's "Personal Recollections."

Line Carrying Rockets.

The first line carrying rockets were invented in 1820 by an Englishman named Tregrouse and were soon after adopted by the Massachusetts Humane society for use at its stations, where they have been very successful, though today brass cannons are exclusively used for throwing lines to wrecks.

Pretty Weary.

Weary (lying under apple tree)—Say, mister, kin I have one of dem apples? Farmer—Why, them apples won't be ripe for four months yet.

Weary—Oh, dat's all right. I ain't in no hurry. I'll wait.—Life.

Then He Was Fired.

Father—I cannot give you my daughter, my dear sir. I am mighty particular in such things. Sultor—Oh, pshaw! Now, I am not in the least so.—Meggendorfer Blatter.

Different Ways.

Hewitt—I have been plinched for money lately.

Jewitt—Well, women have different ways of getting it. My wife kisses me when she wants any.

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